

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: eight public bills, H.R. 2288–2295; and 1 private bill, H.R. 2296 were introduced. Page H8725

Report Filed: One report was filed as follows: H.R. 1743, to amend the Water Resources Act of 1984 to extend authorizations of appropriations through fiscal year 2000, amended (H. Rept. 104–242). Page H8725

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Kolbe to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8685

Defense Base Closure Disapproval: By a yea-and-nay vote of 75 yeas to 343 nays, Roll No. 647, the House failed to pass H.J. Res. 102, disapproving the recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission. Pages H8685–H8704

Treasury—Postal Service Appropriations: House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2020, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Lightfoot, Wolf, Istook, Kingston, Forbes, Livingston, Hoyer, Visclosky, Coleman, and Obey. Pages H8704–08

Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct House conferees to agree to the amendment of the Senate numbered 130, prohibiting Members of Congress to receive cost of living adjustments during the fiscal year (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 387 yeas to 31 nays, Roll No. 648). Pages H8704–07

Interior Appropriations: House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Regula, McDade, Kolbe, Skeen, Vucanovich, Taylor of North Carolina, Nethercutt, Bunn of Oregon, Livingston, Yates, Dicks, Bevill, Skaggs, and Obey. Pages H8708–09

Agreed to the Yates motion to instruct House conferees to disagree to the amendment of the Senate numbered 158, relating to mineral patents. Pages H8708–09

Transportation Appropriations: House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending Sep-

tember 30, 1996; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Wolf, DeLay, Regula, Rogers, Lightfoot, Packard, Callahan, Dickey, Livingston, Sabo, Durbin, Coleman, Foglietta, and Obey. Pages H8709–10

Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct House conferees to provide funding for the Federal-Aid Highway Program at a level which is as close as possible to the level in the House-passed bill. Pages H8709–10

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of September 11. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Tuesday. Pages H8710–11

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of September 13. Page H8711

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H8726.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8703–04 and H8707. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE PRIVATIZATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on Privatization of the Naval Petroleum Reserve. Testimony was heard from Patricia Fry Godley, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

DEBT COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 2234, Debt Collection Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lightfoot and Gordon; John Koskinen, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: George Munoz, Chief Financial Officer/Assistant Secretary, Management; and Michael Smokovich, Deputy Commissioner, Financial Management Service; Anthony Williams, Chief Financial Officer, USDA; Jeff Steinhoff, Director, Planning and Reporting, GAO; and public witnesses.

CHINESE PRISON SYSTEM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights continued hearings on the Chinese Prison System. Testimony was heard from Harry Wu; and public witnesses.

PENSION REFORM AND SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Small business: Held a hearing on Pension Reform and Simplification: A Small Business Perspective. Testimony was heard from Representative Portman; Jere Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; J. Mark Iwry, Benefits Tax Counsel, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

ETHICS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to continue to take testimony regarding the ethics investigation of Speaker Gingrich. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Eisenach, president, Progressive Freedom Foundation.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM DESIGNATION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2274, National Highway System Designation Act of 1995.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD
Week of September 11 through 16, 1995**Senate Chamber**

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4, Work Opportunity Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4, Work Opportunity Act, and possibly consider the following: H.R. 2076, Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1996; Conference reports, when available; and Any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess on *Tuesday, September 12, 1995*, from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: September 11, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs, and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 3 p.m., SD-192.

September 12, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal

year 1996 for the government of the District of Columbia, 1:30 p.m., SD-138.

September 12, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 1868, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 2 p.m., SD-116.

September 12, Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 2076, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 3 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 13, to hold hearings to examine the effectiveness of sanctions on Iran, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 12, to hold hearings to examine proposals to reform existing spectrum policy, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings on public broadcasting reform, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 12, to hold hearings on H.R. 1266, to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument, known as the "Greens Creek Land Exchange Act," 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 1144, to reform and enhance the management of the National Park Service, S. 309, to reform the concession policies of the National Park Service, and S. 964, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 with respect to fees for admission into units of the National Park System, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

September 14, Subcommittee on Energy Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on S. 1014, to improve the management of royalties from Federal and Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leases, and S. 1012, to extend the time for construction of certain FEERC licensed hydro projects, 3 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 14, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings on missile proliferation in South Asia, Thursday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the status of religious liberty in America, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 12, 14 and 15, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Government Information, to resume hearings on matters relating to the incident in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, Tuesday at 1 p.m., Thursday at 2 p.m. and Friday at 10 a.m., SD-G50.

September 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine proposals to divide the ninth circuit court, including S. 956, to divide the ninth judicial circuit of the United States into two circuits, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 13, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on legal immigration reform proposals, 2 p.m., SD-226.

September 14, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: September 12, to hold hearings on S. 969, to require that health plans